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SUBJECT: TEXTILE AND APPAREL ITEMS: CARE,FIBER AND CONSUMER ORIENTED
LABELLING REQUIREMENTS.

REF: STATE A-1393, MARCH 23, 1977.

LOCAL TEXTILE FEDERATIONS FEBELTEX AND CENTEXBEL INFORM THE EMBASSY
OF THE FOLLOWING:

1)CARE,FIBER AND COUNTRY OF ORIGIN REGULATIONS:

A.THERE ARE NO OFFICIAL REGULATIONS IN BELGIUM REGARDING
LABELLING TO TEXTILES CONCERNING CARE.

B.FOR DOMESTIC MARKET,SOME BELGIAN TEXTILE/APPAREL
MANUFACTURERS VOLUNTARILY USE TEXTILE LABELLING TAGS.THE
BELGIAN PRIVATE ORGANIZATION " CENATRA",ASBL,(CENTRE NATIONAL
D ASSISTANCE TECHNIQUE ET DE RECHERCHE APPLIQUEE POUR LES
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PETITES ET MOYENNES ENTREPRISES),LANGE LEEMSTRAAT 137 B -2000
ANTWERPEN BELGUM (TEL: 031/30.18.70) IS THE ORGANIZATION IN
CHARGE OF SUCH TEXTILE LABELLING MATTERS.

2)FLAMMABILITY STANDARDS:

THE BELGIAN STANDARD NBN - 713010 CONCERNS THE FLAMMABILITY
TO TEXTILES USED FOR FLOOR OR WALL COVERINGS IN BIG
BUILDINGS.THIS STANDARD IS CURRENTLY BEING REVISED.

3)CHEMICAL CONENT:

ARTICLE 4,PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE ROYAL DECREE OF MARCH 9, 1973 STATES THAT ANY TEXTILE PRODUCT CAN BE CONSIDERED "100 PERCENT" " PURE " COTTON,WOOL,SILK OR WHATEVER, OR ALTERNATIVELY, " ALL" COTTON,WOLL,ETC.,WITHOUT QUALIFICATION,ONLY IF THE FABRIC IS COMPOSED ENTIRELY OF ONE FIBER.

4)LANGUAGES REQUIRED:

IN CONTRAST TO GERMANY AND FRANCE,BELGIM DOES NOT FOLLOW THE PRACTICE OF OTHER MEMBERS OF THE EEC WHO USE ONLY THE NATIONAL LANGUAGES)WHEN LABELLING TEXTILE PRODUCTS FOR THE DOMESTIC MARKET.THE LABELLING OF TEXTILE PPRODUCTS SOLD IN BELGIUM MAY BE IN ANY OF THEEC LANGUAGES:ENGLISH,FRENCH,DUTCHGERMANO ITALINA,AND DANISH.

5)METHOS OF SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS:

THE SAMPLING OF TEXTILES IS SEPARATELY INDICATED FOR EACH TEXTILE AND IS DESCRIBED IN THE STANDARD FOR THAT TEXTILE.AN EXCEPTION IS THE STANDARD APPLICABLE TO TEXTILE FLOOR COVERINGS FOR WHICH THE SAMPLING IS DESCRIBED IN BELGIAN STANDARD MNBN G. 58-009

6.DIFFERENCES IN REQUIREMENTS APPLIED TO HOST COUNTRY
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TEXTILE AND APPAREL MANUFACTURES VS.IMPORTS:
NONE.(SEE REQUIREMENTS UNDER NO. 7)

7.EFFECTIVE DATES FOR REQUIREMENTS OR REGULATIONS IN EFFECT:
THE EGULATIONS REGARDING THE DEFINITION OF NAMES AND STANDARDS TEXTILES IN BELGIUM ARE CONTAINED IN THE ROYAL DECREE OF MARCH 9, 1973 (PUBLISHED IN THE "MONITEUR BELGE" OF APRIL 20, 1973 AND WHICH WENT INTO EFFECT ON JANUARY 26, 1975.THESE REGULATIONS ARE ALMOST IDENTICAL TO THOSEC CONTAINED IN THE EEC " DIRECTIVE COMMUNAUTAIRE" OF FEBRUARY 26, 1971 (PUBLISHED IN THE BULLETIN OF THE EEC COUNCIL UNDER THE NUMBER 71/307).

8) ANY OTHER INFORMATION OR DATA WHICH THE POST BELIEVES RELEVANT:
ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL OF THE OFFICE " REGLEMENTATION COMMERCIAL -- INDUSTRIES TEXTILES " OF THE MIISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS,REVISIONS ARE IN PROCESS FOR THE WHOLE AREA OF LABELLING OF TEXTILES IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE

GREATER EEC UNIFORMITY.
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